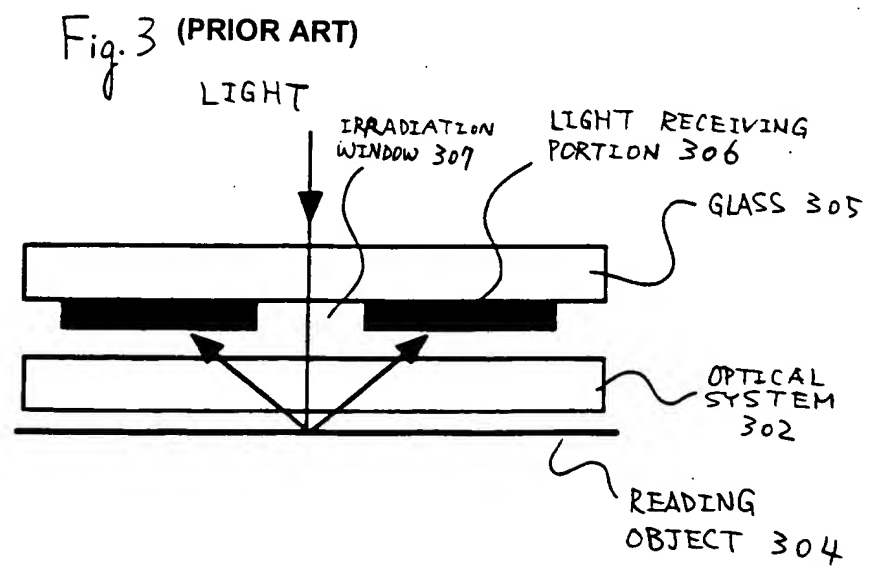
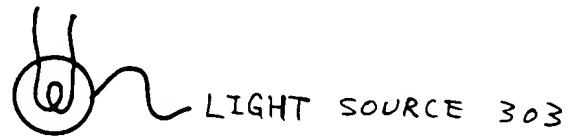
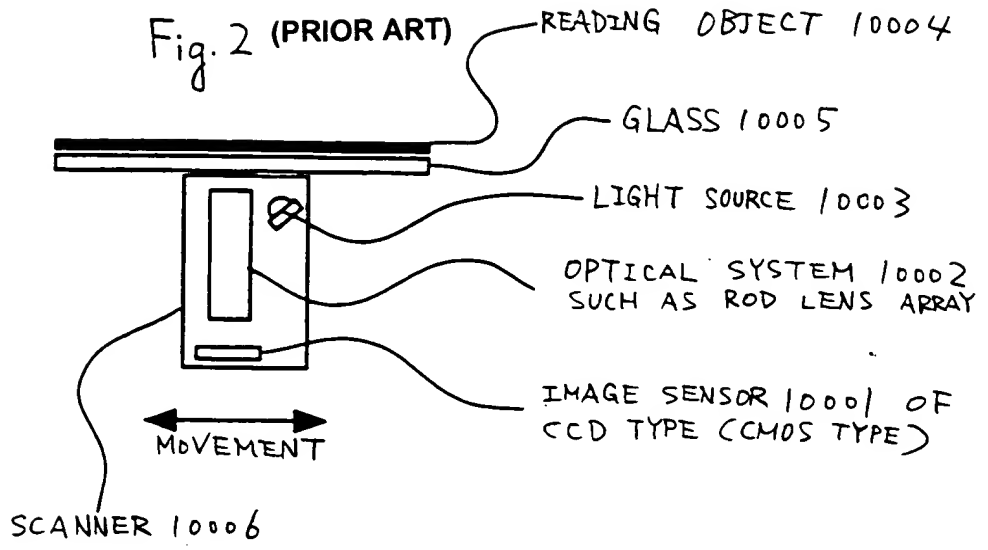


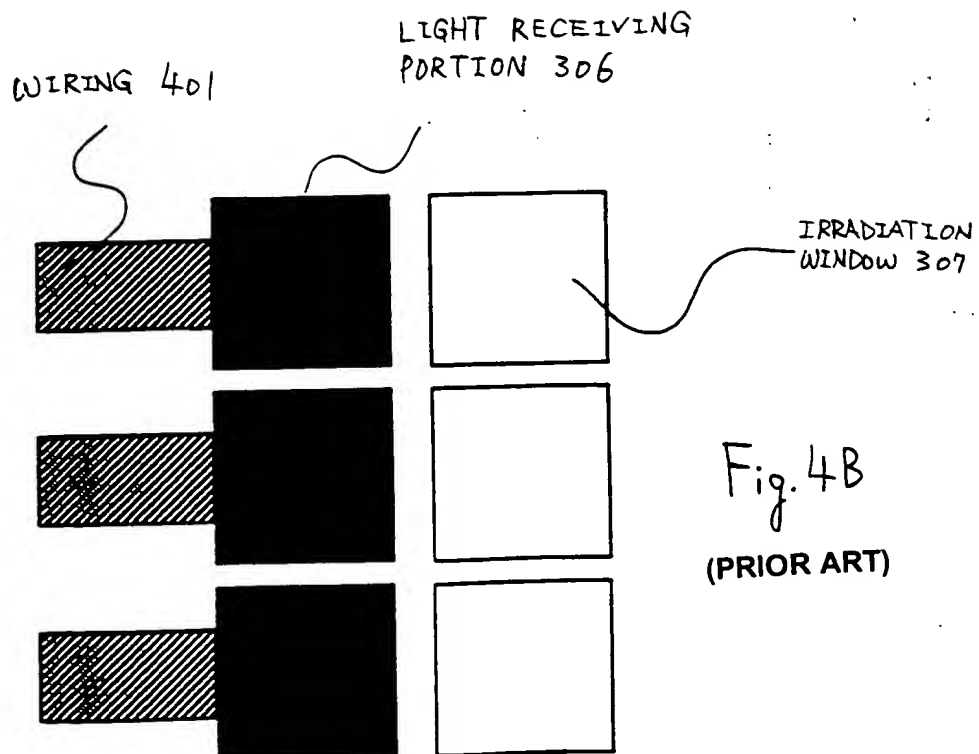
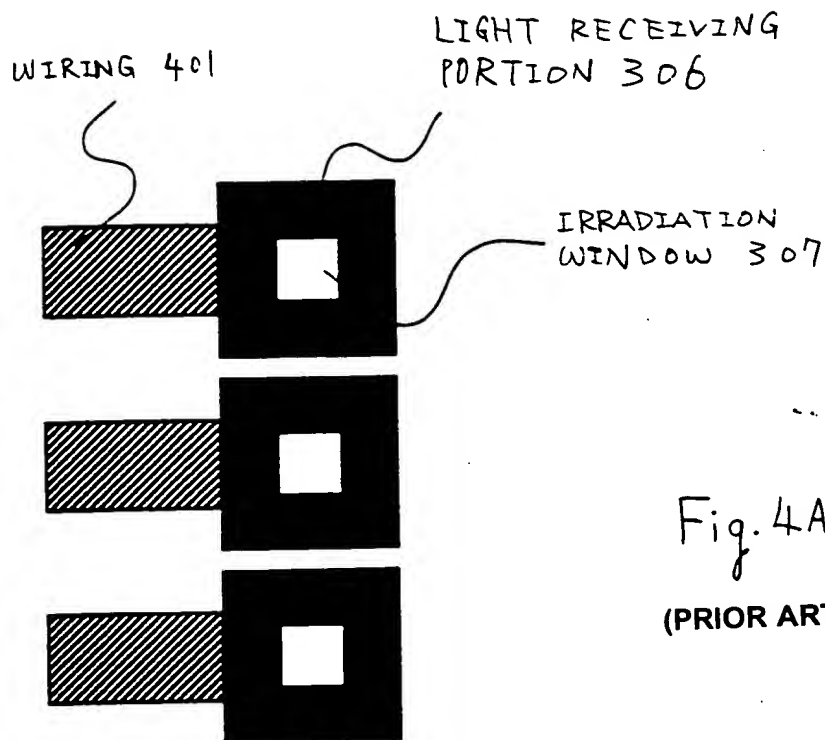
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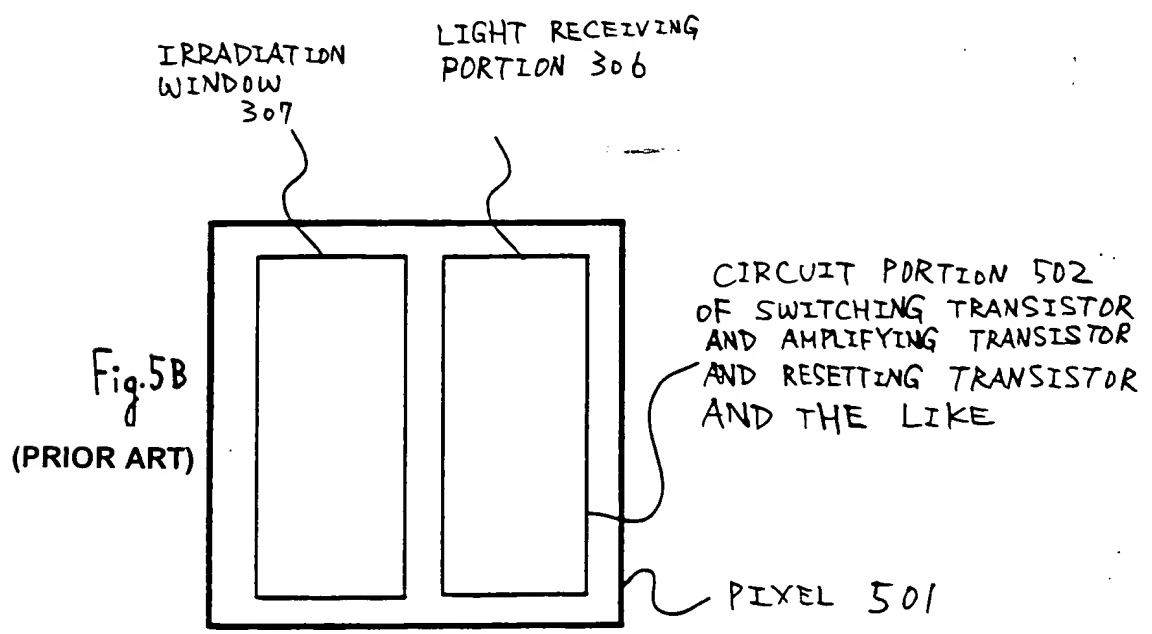
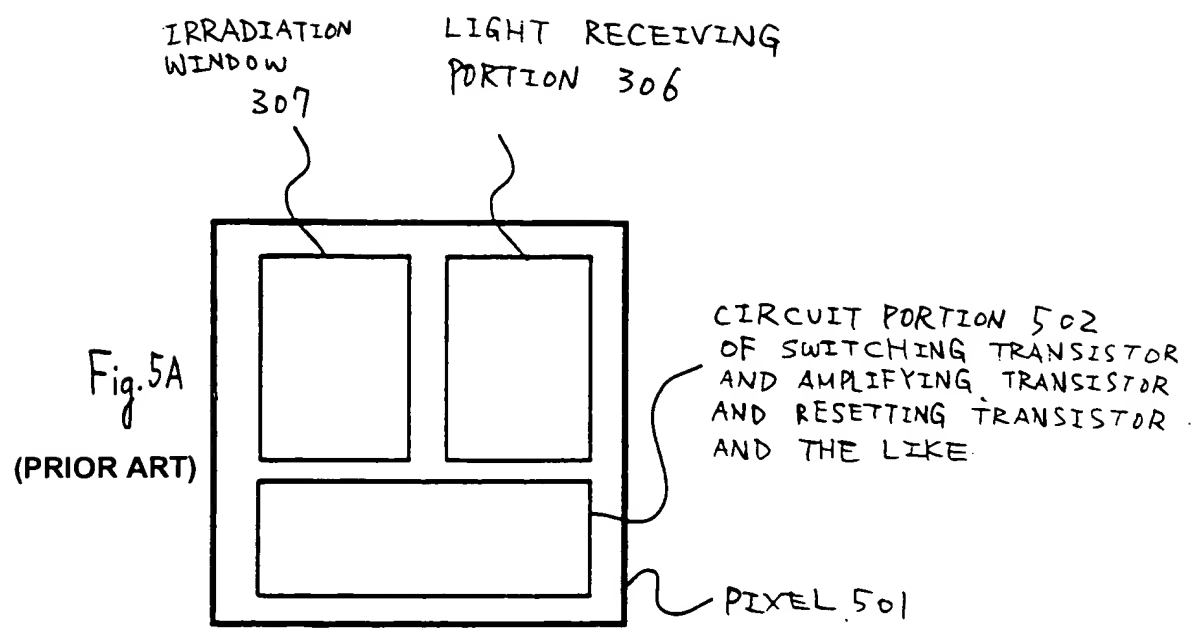
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Figs. 2-7 have been amended to the extent of adding the legend "Prior Art."







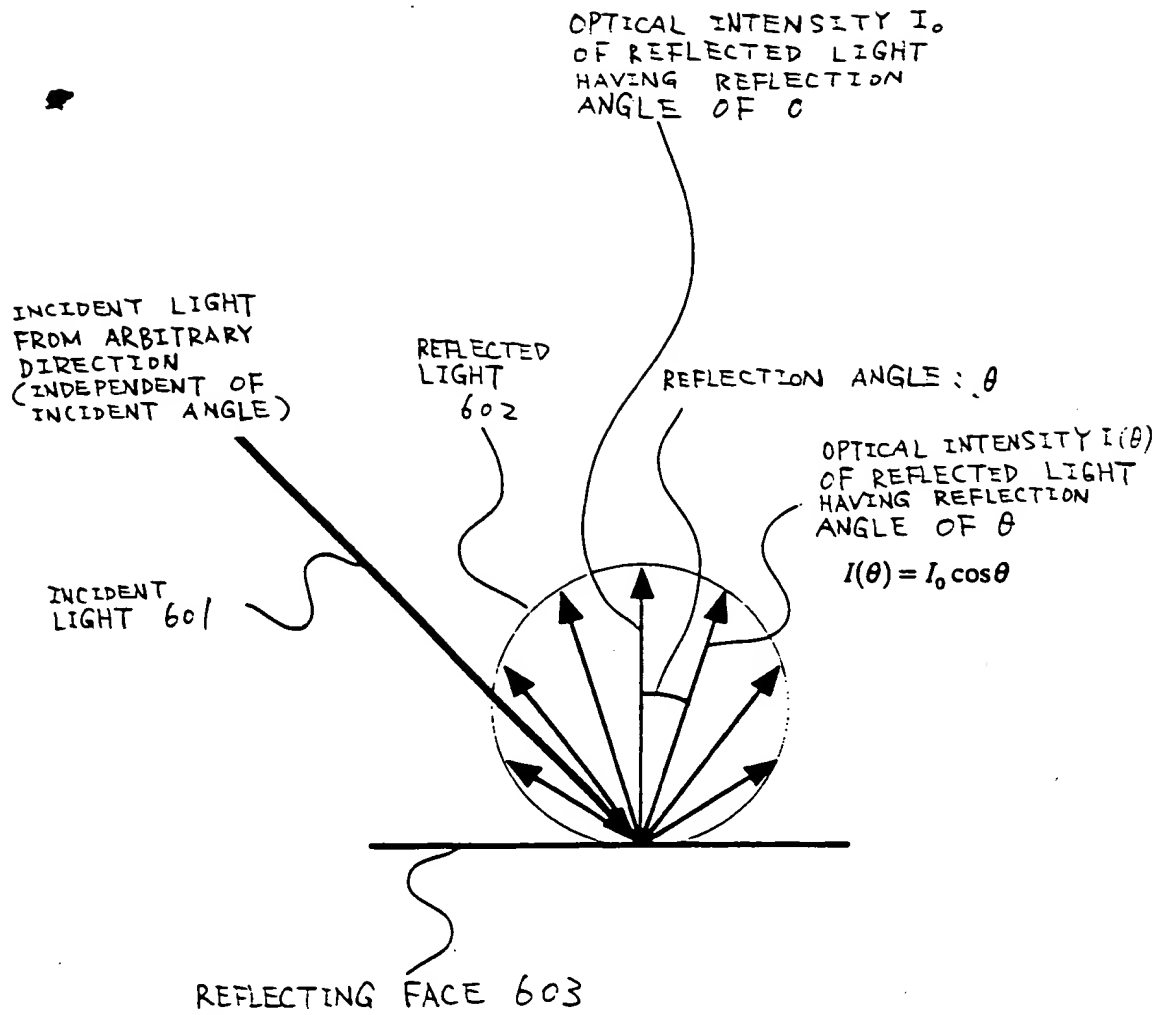


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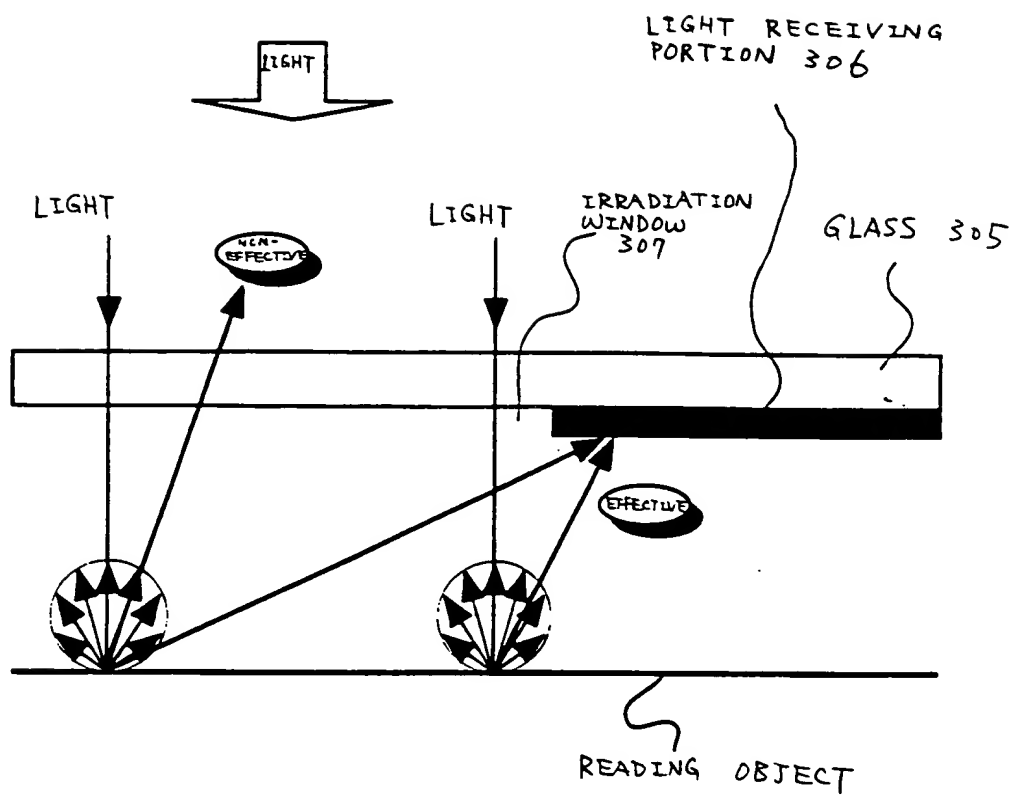


Fig. 7  
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